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## **AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

RCH CRIMER SOOS In response to the Office Action of March 21, 2003, petition and payment for a two month extension of time being attached hereto, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Attachments a copy of relevant pages of the "Concise Encyclopedia Biochemistry", second edition, p. 570, 1988 is attached following page 16 of this paper.